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Agenda item 151 (a)
**Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations: Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations**

**Draft resolution submitted by the Vice-Chairman following informal consultations**

# Reformed procedures for determining reimbursement to Member States for contingent-owned equipment

*The General Assembly*,

*Recalling* its resolutions 49/233 A of 23 December 1994, 50/222 of 11 April 1996, 51/218 E of 17 June 1997 and 54/19 of 29 October 1999,

*Recalling also* its decision 53/480 of 8 June 1999, by which the Secretary-General was requested to convene the Phase V Working Group,

*Recalling further* the report of the Secretary General[1] and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions[2] on reform of the procedure for determining reimbursement to Member States for contingent-owned equipment,

*Having considered* the report of the Phase V Working Group on reimbursement of contingent-owned equipment as transmitted by the Chairman of the Working Group to the Chairman of the Fifth Committee,[3] the note by the Secretary-General[4] and the related report of the Advisory Committee.[5]

*Having also considered* the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the audit of contingent-owned equipment procedures and payments to troop-contributing countries,[6]

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[1] A/50/807.
[2] A/50/887.
[3] See A/C.5/54/49.
[4] A/54/795.
[5] A/54/826.
[6] See A/54/765.

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1. *Endorses* the recommendations of the Phase V Working Group on reform procedures for determining reimbursement of contingent-owned equipment;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to collect data from Member States regarding the Phase V Working Group recommendation in paragraphs 44 and 45 of its report[3] on the cost of painting and repainting major equipment;

3. *Takes note* of the views of the Secretariat regarding replacement of the term "force-wide" with "force level", the inclusion of climatic and environmental changes under inland transportation costs and the medical equipment threshold, of 1,500 United States dollars, and invites the post-Phase V Working Group to reconsider these issues;

4. *Endorses* the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, subject to the provisions of the present resolution;

5. *Decides* to convene, for not less than ten working days, in accordance with annex IX to the Phase V Working Group report,[3] a post-Phase V Working Group in January/February 2001, to review rates for major equipment, self-sustainment and medical support services, and to include, within the Post Phase V Working Group, appropriate expertise to conduct the vaccination cost review recommended by the Phase V Working Group in paragraph 87 (a) (iii) of its report;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure that adequate and sufficient conference facilities for the post-Phase V Working Group are provided, taking duly into consideration the Working Group's structure and needs;

7. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to collect data from Member States and to report to the General Assembly on the extent of his success;

8. *Urges* Member States in this regard to provide the major equipment and self-sustainment data to the Secretariat by 31 October 2000 at the latest, in order for the Secretariat to report to the General Assembly in November 2000 on the adequacy of the data, with a view to ascertaining whether the data are available for holding the post-Phase V Working Group meeting in January/February 2001;

9. *Emphasizes* that the Secretary-General should strictly ensure that in future when transmitting the reports of the Office of Internal Oversight Services, a reference to General Assembly resolution 54/244 of 23 December 1999 is included in addition to Assembly resolution 48/218 B of 29 July 1994, and to issue a corrigendum to the current report;[7]

10. *Decides* to keep this matter under review at its fifty-fifth session.

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[7] A/54/765.

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Agenda item 118
**Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations**

**Draft decision submitted by the Chairman**

## Action taken on certain documents

The General Assembly decides to defer consideration of the following issues and documents until its fifty-fifth session:

(a) **Management irregularities causing financial losses to the Organization**:

(i) Report of the Secretary-General: follow-up report on management irregularities causing financial losses to the Organization;[1]

(ii) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on allegations of theft of funds by a United Nations Conference on Trade and Development staff member;[2]

(b) **Improving the working methods of the Fifth Committee**

(c) **United Nations security coordination**:

Note by the Secretary-General on strengthening of United Nations security coordination;[3]

(d) **Information technologies**:

Report of the Secretary-General on information technologies;[4]

(e) **Reports of the Office of Internal Oversight Services**:

(i) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the follow-up to the 1997 review of the

[1] A/54/793.
[2] A/53/811.
[3] A/C.5/54/56.
[4] A/54/849.

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programme and administrative practices of the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (Habitat);[5]

(ii) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the follow-up to the 1996 review of the programme and administrative practices of the United Nations Environment Programme;[6]

(iii) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the audit of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights Field Operation in Rwanda;[7]

(iv) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the investigation into the award of a fresh rations contract in a United Nations peacekeeping mission;[8]

(v) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the audit of the management of service and ration contracts on peacekeeping missions;[9]

(vi) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the audit of the liquidation of peacekeeping missions;[10]

(f) **Measures taken to improve procurement activities in the field**:

Report of the Secretary-General on measures taken to improve procurement activities in the field.[11]

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[5] A/54/764.
[6] A/54/817.
[7] A/54/836.
[8] A/54/169.
[9] A/54/335.
[10] A/54/394.
[11] A/54/866.

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Agenda item 130 (a)
**Financing of the activities arising from Security Council resolution 687 (1991): United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission**

**Draft decision submitted by the Rapporteur following informal consultations**

## Question of the payment of mission subsistence allowance in the United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission

The General Assembly, recalling its resolution 54/18 of 29 October 1999, and having considered the report of the Board of Auditors on the special audit of the United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission,[1] the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the activities arising from Security Council resolution 687 (1991)[2] and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[3]

Decides to revert to the question of the payment of mission subsistence allowance in the United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission during the main part of the fifty-fifth session of the General Assembly.

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[1] See A/54/869.
[2] A/54/873.
[3] See A/C.5/54/SR.71.

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